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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Seattle, Washington 98101

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.1 identified application, in which prosecution is closed.

1. A submission as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is submitted as follows:

X An Amendment/Response is enclosed herewith.

2. A Notice of Appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (BPAI) was X previously filed in the above-identified application and is pending prior to a decision on appeal. This RCE is being filed and the appeal is hereby withdrawn.

3. The filing fee for the present request for continued examination is calculated X below.

No claims in excess of the number previously submitted are being added. X

COMPUTATION OF FEE

	Number	Highest						
	Filed After	Number						
	Any	Previously		Present				Additional
	Amendment	Paid For		Extra		Rate		Fee
Basic RCE Filing Fee		-	=		X		=	770
Total Claims	22	- 25	=	0	X	18	=	0
Independent Claims	2	- 3	=	0	X	86	=	0
	TOTAL							\$770

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- 4. Check No. 157322 in the amount of \$770.00, as computed above, is enclosed in payment of the required fees for filing the present request for continued examination.
- X 5. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this request is enclosed.

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